

ISLA VISTA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT Board of Directors

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To: UC Santa Barbara Police Department

CC: Garry MacPherson, Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services

Interim Chief Brock,

We recognize and appreciate the life-saving work of the UCSB Police Department that takes place each and every day. Since 2017, the Isla Vista Community Services District has contracted with the UCSB Police Department for the Isla Vista Safety Station program, and as of 2018, for augmented sexual assault/interpersonal violence investigation and prevention services. We have great respect and gratitude for the mission of the UCSB Police Department, and for the many hardworking officers and staff members who serve our local community with integrity.

With this in mind, the Board of Directors writes to express strong concern with allegations made by current and former UCSB Police Department Officers that allege inappropriate handling of sexual assault cases and a workplace environment replete with racism, misogyny, and disrespect towards survivors of crime.

The Board of Directors supports a comprehensive independent investigation into these allegations. In order to maintain the integrity of the UCSB Police Department, the services that the District contracts with the UCSB Police Department for, and the public's trust in law enforcement throughout our community, it is imperative to uncover the facts. The District also calls on the UCSB Police Department to hold a community meeting in order to hear from the public and with community members who have been hurt by many of the disturbing allegations. While the District recognizes the desire to move past these allegations, the UCSB Police Department must engage in meaningful dialogue with the community on the topics of racism, misogyny, and police misconduct in order to build trust.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to our continued partnership to improve public safety and enhance the quality of life in Isla Vista.

Sincerely,

Spencer Brandt

President of the Board of Directors